

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CRWP No.3401 of 2020 (O&M)  
Date of Decision :04.06.2020

Rajni and another

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE

Present : Mr. Arun Gupta, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

Mr. Bhupinder Singh Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

(The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual Court)

**ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral):**

A mandamus is prayed for commanding the official respondents (respondents No.1 to 3) to protect the lives and liberty of the petitioners.

Petitioners Rajni and Harjeet Singh claim themselves to be major. They purport to have been in a relationship for quite some time. They intended to marry each other but their decision was resisted by the parents of petitioner no.1 and her family members. However, the petitioners alleged to have solemnized marriage on 01.06.2020, contrary to the wishes of the private respondents as per Hindu rites and rituals. Their grievance is that despite their persistent efforts to pacify or convince the private respondents they are not ready to accept their relationship or reconcile with their marriage. Rather, the petitioners have been threatened with dire consequences and thus they apprehend danger to their lives as also their

implication in some false case. Thus faced with this situation they had represented to respondent no.2 vide representation dated 01.6.2020 to take necessary measures to secure their lives and liberty. But to no avail.

In the wake of the above, and without commenting upon the veracity of the allegations set out in the petition as also the validity of the marriage of the petitioners, the petition is disposed of with a direction to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala (respondent No.2), that, if any such representation, as indicated above, is pending, the same shall be considered forthwith and appropriate measures, as deemed necessary, shall be taken.

A copy of this order be sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala (respondent No.2), so as to enable him to do the needful expeditiously.

**(ARUN PALLI)**  
**JUDGE**

04.06.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether reportable

Yes/No  
Yes/No